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There application of:
Miki SASAKI, et al.

Serial No: 10/008,958
Filed: December 5, 2001
For: SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE INCORPORATING A
Dicing Technique for Wafer Separation
And a Method for Manufacturing the Same
(As Amended)

Art Unit: 2814
Examiner: Nathan W. Ha

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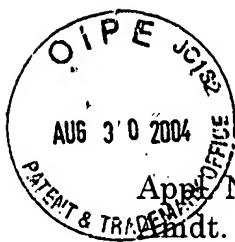
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AMENDMENT

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 25, 2004, please amend the above-referenced application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.